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Examiner: A. Oltmans

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SALT AND METHOD OF USE

Attorney Docket No. KOL-10-5563

## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the examiner's letter of November 20, 2003, it is respectfully requested that the examiner cancel claims 1-12, 14 and 17, without prejudice or disclaimer, as shown on the attached sheets.